

In Loving Memory of
*Lusk, Baker,
 McCaleb, Ryan,
 & Aken Families*

In Memory of
Kathy Theriot
 11/27/45-12/28/20
We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck. You are ever in our hearts.
Love, Bubba and your family

In loving memory of
Nicolas & Loyce Hire
 Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021
 Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022
Together in Heaven

In Loving Memory of
Berniece Louise Garner
 Dec. 8 1932—Dec. 22, 2022
 Truly an example of "Amazing Grace"

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Always in our hearts
Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr,
Lola Broussard Derouen,
Victoria "Tori" Felsher, Rogers
"Poochie" Broussard,
Aldo & Anna Caprari,
Evorise Boudreaux Broussard,
Wayne Kopszywa,
& Cyrus A. Broussard

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NEW TO THE PARISH:
 If you are a recently registered new parishioner or if you are interested in joining our community – we extend a very warm word of "Welcome!" to you. We would love the opportunity to speak with you!
 Please contact the Office at 228.435.5578 and leave your name and contact information so we can contact you in learning more about us and we about you. We are delighted that you are with us!

Stay in the Know
 with the Diocese of Biloxi Friday Email Newsletter
GULF PINE FRIDAYS
 DIOCESE OF BILOXI

WE ARE ALL GIVEN TALENTS TO SHARE.
 The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and inescapable. Let us be prepared to give an account of the ways in which we have used our gifts for the benefit of others.

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St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of January 11 & 12, 2025

Established 1917

Confessions
 Saturday 4 - 4:30 pm
 or by appointment

Office Hours
 Tuesday—Thursday
 8:30 - 2:30 pm
 or as posted

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel
 St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Mass Schedule

Weekends
 Saturday 5 pm
 Sunday 10 am

Weekdays
 Tuesday - Friday 8 am

Monsignor Dominick Fullam, Pastor

Robert Wescovich Jr., Deacon | Jessica Gollott, Administrative Assistant

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Jan 11.....For the people
 Sun, Jan 12.....Clare Gautreaux
 Tue, Jan 14.....+Patsy Kuluz
 Wed, Jan 15.....+Pete Jurich, Sr.
 Thu, Jan 16.....+Joanie Averett
 Fri, Jan 17.....+Betty Meyers

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA, JAN 14, 7pm: The theme is God commands: The Ten Commandments, the Precepts of the Church

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: If you are new to using envelopes, please fill out a registration form in the vestibule to update your information.

CARD MINISTRY: If you are interested in donating postage for our card ministry, please contact the church office.

BULLETIN ADS: If you would like to run a business ad or recognize a special anniversary on the back of our bulletin please contact the church office. Ads can be weekly, monthly, or yearly.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: St. Michael's will have a First Holy Communion group this year! This opportunity is open to all children associated with the parish. For more information and/or to register your child, please take a Childhood Sacrament Registration form from the table in the vestibule and return it to the parish office by March 18th. Questions may be directed to Ashley Rodriguez, 410.693.8825 or rodfamily2015@gmail.com.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Jan 4 & 5.....\$4406.00

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Jan 11 & 12.....Building Fund
 Jan 18 & 19.....Catholic School Subsidy

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Altar Society members. Prayerfully consider God's calling to serve your St. Michael Family. Call 228.435.5578

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides assistance each Wednesday from 10—11 am. We value your time and your donations! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS Homeschool group meets most Thursday mornings in the Family Life Center. The Explorers Club is an art, faith, and science enrichment program primarily for PK3-5th graders. Call Ashley Rodriguez at 410.693.8825 for more information.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE
 ALTAR SERVERS
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
 GREETERS
 LECTORS**

Sat, Jan 11
5 pm
 Jimmy Smith
 Rose Sliman & Debbie Smith
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 Cassandra Lizana

Sun, Jan 12
10 am
 Doug Roll
 Therese Drake & Kenneth Powell
 Pete Broussard & Kenneth Girouard
 Cynthia Powell

Sat, Jan 18
5 pm
 Ira Elijah Jones
 Rose Sliman & Vicky Wescovich
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 Darnell Schreck

Sun, Jan 19
10 am
 Doug Roll
 Cynthia Powell & Jessica Gollott
 Jacklyn Cummins & Larry Girouard
 Kathy Doyle


 THE FLOWER INTENTIONS
 ARE FOR OUR BELOVED PARISHIONERS OF
 ST. MICHAEL.

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
 Background on Gospel Reading**

Luke 3:15-16,21-22
Jesus is baptized by John.

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another “epiphany.” On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

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Luke
3:21-22



21 When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened 22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

IN OUR DIOCESE

HEALING MASS, JAN 17, 5:00pm: Join us at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Pass Christian for a night of Healing with Adoration, Prayers of Deliverance, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick and One-on-One Pastoral Counseling.

DIOCESE OF BILOXI WALK FOR LIFE & ROSARY RALLY, JAN 19: Nativity BVM is hosting the Rosary Rally & Mass for Life beginning at 2pm, then we will take part in a Eucharistic Procession to Lighthouse Park and have Eucharistic Adoration. Please make plans to attend.

*As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.
 Amen*